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## HEAVY ASSAULT ON PORT ARTHUR

## Strikers Announce Final Victory Over Packers

## WHEAT MARKET IS HIGHEST IN YEARS

### GREAT BATTLE RAGING

### Advices From Port Arthur Indicate Last Chapter of Drama

### Besieged City Assaulted All Along the Line by Troops of the Mikado

Chefoo, Aug. 20.—The Japanese consul at Tien Tsin has just arrived and says that today's assault on Port Arthur is directed against the fortress and along the entire front of the lines. "It is the Japanese supreme effort, to which the recent battles were preliminary. I firmly believe that Port Arthur will soon be in our possession."

Washington, Aug. 20.—President Roosevelt, with the usual party of secretaries, stenographers and secret service men left at 10 o'clock this morning for Oyster Bay. The party traveled in a special train of two cars, running as the second section of the regular Pennsylvania train to New York. A number of government officials were at the station to see the President off.

Novik in Port. St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—It is reported that the Russian cruiser Novik, which left Tsing Taus, after taking refuge there for 18 hours, has arrived at Korhakov, a port on the island of Saghalien.

Czar Getting Mad. St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The czar has issued an ukase summoning to the colors all the reserve officers of the empire.

Diana Sighted. London, Aug. 20.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says that the Russian cruiser Diana, concerning whose fate there has been considerable anxiety, was sighted today off Hong Kong.

Chefoo, Aug. 20.—There is a rumor

current from Russian sources that Admiral Togo's flagship has been sunk, but it lacks confirmation.

Rome, Aug. 20.—A dispatch received says that General Stoessel, in command of Port Arthur, has divided his forces into three sections, each having eight hours rest out of the 24. Thus two-thirds are always on duty.

Tokio, Aug. 20.—The Japanese yesterday occupied Anshanchan, half way between Liao Yang and Hai Cheng. The Russian forces in the town retreated toward Mukden.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The minister of war has ordered a further mobilization of troops in the districts of Kieff, Moscow and Kazan.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The czar has telegraphed his thanks to General Stoessel and the men under him for his defense of Port Arthur from the Japanese attacks. The telegram reads:

"In my name the whole of Russia commands you to congratulate the garrison, troops, and population of Port Arthur for the success of the battle of July 26, 27 and 28. I firmly believe it is their full desire to support by their bravery the glory of our arms. I heartily thank all. Let the blessing of Almighty rest upon them in their hard task of preserving the fortress from the enemy's assault."

Making Supreme Attempt.

Chefoo, Aug. 20.—The Japanese forces, it is believed, are now making their supreme attempt to take Port Arthur. At daybreak this morning the fighting was at its height.

Will Destroy Fleet.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—Acute anxiety prevails regarding the situation at Port Arthur, on account of the desperate character of the fighting reported as taking place, although the war office does not seem to believe that the danger of the fall of the fortress is as imminent as is generally asserted.

According to advices received by the war office there is still an ample supply of ammunition and provisions there. While it is realized that the Japanese probably outnumber the defenders six or sevenfold, the great strength of the fortifications, it is believed, will do much to make up the disparity in number.

Upon one point there is absolute unanimity here, namely, that if the fortress falls, the fleet will not fall in the hands of the Japanese. On this point the admiralty's instructions are of the most imperative character. Vice-Admiral Prince Oukomsky has been ordered, should the worst come, to rally forth for a death struggle, and there is no question here that these instructions will be carried out both in letter and spirit, but if, for any reason, a final sortie proves to be impossible, the admiral is to destroy his ships, and to make certain that their wreckage will be absolutely irreparable.

### PACKERS ENJOIN OFFICERS

### Decide That the City Has No Right to Interfere at Plants

### Men Are Lodged in the Packing Houses Without Proper Fire Escapes

Chicago, Aug. 20.—After the meeting of the packers today, it is reliably reported that it had been decided to ask a writ of injunction restraining the city from interfering in the housing of the strike-breakers at the packing plants.

President Donnelly, referring to the action of Mayor Harrison, indicating that the packers shall no longer house the strike-breakers, said: "Packers have no trouble in getting men out of the plants and yards, but non-union men would not be able to get back to the plants to work."

"I see no peace in sight, except on the condition that the packers surrender to the union unconditionally. When the people of Chicago hear the full report of last night's meeting of labor officials they will be astonished. We have the triumph card, and will play it," said President Donnelly this morning. He, with other union officers, leave today for Western strike points to investigate conditions.

Assaults Are Frequent.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—Allen Patton, a colored non-union workman, was found at 6 o'clock this morning near the stock yards unconscious. His right eye was almost gouged from the head, the left eye badly lacerated, and he will probably die. Assaults on the strike-breakers continue to be reported from the yards.

Returned to Work.

Omaha, Aug. 20.—Several skilled butchers returned to work in the packing houses today. It is almost certain that the firemen and engineers will return to work Monday.

Kansas City, Aug. 20.—The packing trades council will apply to the mayors of Kansas City, Mo., and Kansas City, Kans., to stop the packers from housing the strike-breakers in the plants. Five hundred are now cared for in that manner.

Chicago, Aug. 20.—In a statement this afternoon the packers say they don't attach much importance to the mayor's order for the evacuation of the stock yards buildings for use as living quarters by the strike breakers.

### KAISER EXTOLLS THE JAPANESE ORGANIZATION

### Russian Methods Are Criticised to Senior Officers After a Review of German Troops

Cassel, Prussia, Aug. 20.—After a review of the troops by the Kaiser today, his majesty summoned the senior officers of the garrison, and delivered

They will resist the enforcement of the order in the courts.

Strikers Attack Train.

Chicago, August 20.—A crowd of strikers fired a volley of missiles at a Lake Shore train carrying strike-breakers at 40th and Stewart avenues. J. G. Baywater, an officer of the Hammond Packing Company, was struck on the head and taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition.

Standard Oil Sued.

Trenton, N. J., Aug. 20.—George Rice, of Marietta, O., commenced suit in the United States circuit court today for \$3,000,000 damages against the Standard Oil Company, for the alleged ruining of his oil business.

Rice charges that the Standard Oil Company compelled railroads to charge his customers exorbitant freight rates; that the company opened grocery stores to break down his competition, and in other ways succeeded in taking from him 4000 customers.

Claim Japs Were Repulsed.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—It is reported that the general staff has received a telegram from General Stoessel, in command at Port Arthur, stating that the Japanese were repulsed from several positions, and that the situation at Port Arthur is hopeful.

Diana Is Traveling.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—A telegram has been received from Mukden, announcing that the Russian cruiser Diana, which took part in the sortie at Port Arthur a week ago, has arrived at Saigon, a port in French Cochinchina.

Jeffries in Oakland.

Harbin Springs, Cal., Aug. 20.—Champion Jeffries left for Oakland this morning, where he will finish his training.

Sale Fairly Good.

San Francisco, Aug. 20.—The sale of seats for the Jeffries-Munroe fight opened this morning with only a fair demand.

### WHEAT MARKET HIGHER

### Reports of Rust and Rain Are Considered Reliable by the Buyers

### Excitement Is at Fever Pitch and Every Eastern Market Follows in Sympathy

Chicago, Aug. 20.—Wheat went wilder than ever today, and all previous records as to advance, price changes and excitement were passed. The reports of rust and more detailed accounts of rust in the Northwest sent May wheat to \$1.16%, which is the highest price in Chicago since the Lester deal. New September sold at \$1.10%; May at \$1.15% @ \$1.16; corn 53%; oats, 34 @ 34%.

New York Is Wheat Mad.

New York, Aug. 20.—The wheat market here was the wildest yet seen on the advance, not so much because of speculative business, although that was large, but on account of the extraordinary climb of prices.

Minneapolis Excited.

Minneapolis, Aug. 20.—Reports of rain all over the Northwest, making the crop situation already deplorable, worse than ever caused the wild bull furor to continue today.

Czarevitch Is Doing Well.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 20.—The imperial family will remain at the Peterhof palace until August 28th, when they will go to Tsarskoe Selo. The empress and the czarvitch are progressing satisfactorily.

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Miss Bushnell, Park	3,842	Miss Knight, Music	851
Miss Cosper, East	3,672	Miss Patrick, O. & S.	573
Miss Thomas, Park	2,475	Miss Prunk, Elocution	328



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